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## SOUTH AFRICAN **WAR SITUATION**

American Mules Sold to Great Britain Succumb to Glanders.

KITCHENER

(By Telegraph to Virginian-Pilot.) Modder River, Cape Colony, Wednesday, Dec. 20.—The British naval and possess the exact range of every stone and bush. They frequently plant shells with good advantage in the midst of groups of Boers.

The burghers are reported to be returning home for Christmas.

Recent arrivals from Jacobsdal report that, notwithstanding the Boer successes, the Free Staters do not expect ultimate victory. They complain of the overbearing conduct of General Cronje's men, who are alleged to be better fed and posted in the safest positions.

The Thansvallers do not conceal their suspicions of the possible defection of the Free Staters, and threaten to shoot them at the least sign of wavering.

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The Free Staters are said to regard the subjection to the Transvaal as more to be feared than subjection to Great Britain.

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London, Dec. 26.—The War Office has received the following dispatch from Cape Town, dated December 25th, saying:

"There is no change in the situation at Modder River. General Methuen is well entrenched and the Boers have not disturbed him.

"General Getacre reports that a force of 150 police has occupied Dordrecht, the Boers retreating with no loss."

#### AMERICAN MULES.

London, Dec. 26.—A cable dispatch from Cape Town, dated Wednesday, December 20th, says that glanders has ken out among the American mules, which there are 1,100 at the Stallenche, Remount farm. Twenty-six of mules have been destroyed and 76 to been isolated. The dispatch says ition is spreading in Cape Colony. The comments of the Cape Parliament alleged to be implicated, and one

Gibraltar, Dec. 28.—General Lord ltchener has arrived here from Egypt. JOUBERT AT THE FRONT. Phetoria, Monday, Ded. 18.—General pubert has recovered and returned to

BRITISH CAPTURE SCHOONER.

Durban, Dec. 19.—(Tuesday)—The Norwegian bark Regina, from Java, loaded with stretchers and rallway sleepers, has been captured near Dela-goa Bay and brought here by the Brit-ish second-class cruiser Forte.

## BRITISH LOSSES.

London, Dec. 26.—The War Office has received a dispatch from Pietermaritz-burg, SNatal, dated Sunday, December 24, announcing that in an engagement at Ladysmith, December 22, Major A. J. King, Capiains Wathen and Oakes, J. King, Captains wather and Oakes, Licutenant Hulze and Lleutenant Colo-nel Fawcett were wounded and that nine non-commissioned officers and men were killed and ten wounded. This en-gagement had not been recorded before this.

### LADYSMITH BOMBARDED

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The Boers heavily bombarded Ladysmith for a counle of hours December 16, the day after the batle of Tugela river, but litle damage was done. They killed one man and wounded two men of the garrison.

Advices from Cape Town say the New Zealanders, with General French at Nauuwboort, were in a tight corner, December 18. They were nearly surrounded by Boers and retired under a hall of bullets fired at short range, but sustained only little loss.

Among the Boers killed at Stormberg were many of the locality who had joined the Orange Free State forces.

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returned to Cape Town from the Modder
River, apparently confirming the belief
that an immediate advance of the British is projected.

### METHUEN STATIONARY.

London, Dec. 26.—The Cape Town cor-respondent of the Dhily News, tele-graphing Wednesday, December 20, says:

Lorn Methuen, I understand, intends to remain at Modder River about three

### BIG RESERVE FORCE.

LATEST NEWS OF THE WORLD BY TELEGRAPH AND CABLE. (CONTINUED ON PAGE 1)

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London, Dec. 27.—4:50 a. m.—Dispatches from South Africa are still
greatly delayed. But they are arriving more freely, which shows that the
censorship has been relaxed.
There appears to be no great change
in the situation.
A dispatch from Lourenzo Marques,
dated Thursday, December 21st, gives
the following from the Boer head
laager, dated Tuesday, December 19th:
"The British naval guns at Colenso
have been cannonading Bulwer bridge,
over the Tugela River, with a view of
smashing it.

"The bombarding of Ladysmith is proceeding slowly."

BRITISH PRISONERS.

General Joubert has arrived here and seen accorded a hearty welcome. He iddressed the Burghers on December 8. "More British prisoners have been ent to Pretoria, including Colonel Bul-ock, Major Walters, Major Ballwark, dajor Foster, Captain Dick, Captain Vorthern. Cantain Fithyberhett Contain

WILL AWAIT ROBERTS.

There is an idea in some guarters here that General Buller's destruction of the Tugela bridge heralds an atempt to cut off the Boers now south of the river, but the general opinion is that the British will not make any serious move pending the arrival of Lord Roberts.

#### FIGHT AT SUBIG

LATEST DEVELOPMENTS IN THE PHILIPPINES.

(By Telegraph to Virginian-Pilot.) Manila, Dec. 27,-8:25 a. m.-General Santa Ana, with a force of insurgents, estimated at 300, attacked the garrison at Subig yesterday. A body of marines were sent from Olongapo to reinforce the garrison, and the Filipinos were driven back, several being killed.

There were no casualties on the American side.

A company of the Forty-sixth Vol-unteer Infantry, together with a con-tingent of marines, has been sent from Manila to reinforce the Subig garrison still further.

### A LATE REPORT.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 26,—Under to-day's date, General Otis, at Manila, reports some details of engagements with the insurgents following the death of General Lawton. His dispatch follows:

"Following recent minor engagements capture San Mateo December 19th, General Lawton killed; Captain Kinan, Twenty-ninth Infantry, Lieutenant Breckinridge, Seventh Infantry, sightly wounded, four enlisted men silghtly wounded; capture, same date, Montablan, Lieut. Cotchett, Eleventh Cavalry, and six enlisted men wounded, mostly slight; enemy's casualties heavy. In Northern Zambales, 21st instant, Bell struck 150 insurgents, killed, wounded and captured twenty-eight, and twenty rifles; Lieutenant Road, Thirty-sixth Infantry, wounded right thigh, moderate. Hughes, Iloilo, reports insurgent band attacked Brownell's company, Twenty-sixth Infantry, near Jaro, repulsed with heavy loss in men and twenty-six rifles. Insurgents are in Romblon surrendering arms. On 23d instant, Captain Spence, same regiment, same locality. captured insurgent corral with 125 camel and ponies. Captain Haysen, same date, attacked in mountain near Sulug; one man missing.

GENERAL LAWTON'S FUNERAL. Manila, Dec. 26.—The funeral of Major-General Lawton will take place December 30. The remains will be em-barked on the transport Thomas. RETURN OF SPANISH PRISONERS.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 25.—At the Cabinet meeting to-day it was decided to construe that portion of the treaty with Spain regarding the return of Spanish soldiers and prisoners of war in the most liberal way. By the terms of the treaty the United States agreed to transport all Spanish soldiers and prisoners of war serving in the conquered territory to Spain.

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After discussing the question to-day the Cabinet decided to construe the language of the treaty liberally; indeed to stretch it not only to cover all Spanish prisoners in the hands of the insurgents, who are now falling into our hands, but their families.

### Hatfield Kills Hatfield

(By Telegraph to Virginian-Pilot.) Matewan, W. Va., Dec. 26.-Wayne Hatfield, son of Elias Hatfield, and nephew of "Devil Anse Hatfield," shot and killed George Hatfield's son, of Bear Creek. The shooting occurred in George Brazur's store. Wayne Hatfield escaped to the mountains.

### Norfolk Schooner Stranded.

"From Boer sources, hitherto singularly well informed, I learn that there are eight thousand European officers and men skilled in modern military tactics, particularly artillery, now in Present as a reserve.

"Our administrative official in the disasted on the next tide."

(By Telegraph to Virginian-Pilot.)

Lewes, Del., Dec. 25.—The two-masted schooner Rebecca, lumber laden, from Norfolk for New York, stranded two strains as a reserve.

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## Cape service, who has just returned from official relieving duty in the Dutch district, says the news of the British reverses has been received with great joy, even in localities where there is no open revolt." RYAN'S ANSWER TO WILLIAMS

Tells Why He Did Not Answer the The Battleship Texas Brings Their Virginian's Proposition.

**OBJECTIONS** 

Northern, Captain Fithzherbert, Captain Ford, Captain Hutchinson, Lieutenant Bonham, Lieutenant Christian, Lieutenant Bonham, Lieutenant Thoune, Lieutenant O'Conneyghy, Lieutenant Gubauld, Lieutenant Brigg, Lieutenant Birch, Lieutenant Halford, Lieutenant Brigg, L (By Telegraph to Virginian-Pilot.)

John Skelton Williams, President Sea-board and Roanoke Railroad Com-pany, Richmond, Va.:

pany, iticamond, va.:

"I have just received from my attorneys a report of the proceedings had at Raleigh Thursday last, and observe that your representative there read in open court a copy of a telegram sent to you by me on December 12, 1899,

# THE MAINE'S MARTYR HEROES

Remains to Hampton Roads.

### STATED ENROUTE TO ARLINGTON

mains of the gallant dead of the illfated battleship Maine are now on their morning: There Colonel T. E. True, de-

to the train. Chesapeake and Oh'o

over to Colonel True. The Cipta'n went up on the Washington boat to night and will report to the department be-fore going to Roslin. Lieutenant Ben-

ARMOR-PIERCING HERO.

In the twelve referred to was one Jeremiah Shea, now of the Texas rerw. Of Celt'o origin is Jeremiah. He is one of the two men who were saved from the sleeping deck of the Malne-only two were saved, the rist perished. Those who have seen the pictures of the wreck recall the tremendous mass of twisted pipes and other dibrig which the explosion flung together on this sleeping deck. It was from under this debris that Jeremiah, in some miraculous manner, crawled.

"How on earth did you do it, Jerry?" asked the Chaplain.

"I don't know," said Jerry, saluting, "unless it were that I must be an armor-piercing projectile."

W. H. Greegor, general agent of the passenger department of the Chesapeake and Ohio, accompanied the trains portational arrangements, with General Yardmaster E, I. Ford, of this city, in charge of the details, with which Captain Sigsbee was delighted.

BRAVE BILL ANTHONY.

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"I am much pleased," he said, "everything was perfect; could not have been better, I am glad of it. There was not a hitch." Captain Sigsbee expressed himself feelingly, talking of the death of Anthony, his famous orderly. The Texas will probably go from here to Lambert's Point for conl. From BRAVE BILL ANTHONY.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 26.— special train of the Chesapeake Ohlo fallway, bearing the remain the Maine dead, is expected to an

BRYAN TO SPEAK IN THE EAST ARMOR-PIERCING HERO.

> Will Discuss the Money, the Trust and the Philippine Questions.

#### LETTER FROM CARNEGIE

Austin, Texas, Dec. 26.-William Jenhe had written Congressman Daly, of trusts and imperialism, and he was ed any intention of abandoning the all

"Congressman Daly has probably been misquoted. I expect to make several speeches in the East, but I expect to discuss the money question along with other questions. There are three questions now prominently before the people, to-wit: The money question, the trust question and the Philippine question. Whenever I make a political speech I discuss all three questions."

Mr. Bryan will leave here Saturday, for his trip to Lincoln, Omaha, Kansas City and Chicago, and thence to the East. He will be gone about one month.

CARNEGIE'S GENEROUS OFFERD. "Congressman Daly has pro

CARNEGIE'S GENEROUS OFFER Mrs. Bryan to-day received a letter rom Andrew Carnegie, stating that he

### SYMPATHY FOR THE BOERS

BRITISH CONSULS WILL WATCH MOVEMENTS HERE.

(By Telegraph to Virginian-Pilot.) Washington, D. C., Dec. 25.—The Brilish Ambassador, Lord Pauncefotch has made no protest to the authorities here relative to the reported organized movements in various parts of the country in behalf of the Boers, including the alleged Fenian movement, although these matters were subject for discussion between Secretary Hay and the Ambassador as late as this afternoon. The only attention which the Embassy is giving to these reports is to keep advised through the British consuls at various points as to any movements of importance. Thus fer, however, nothing has come from the however, nothing has come from the consuls to indicate that any of the movements were more than local and trifling. All of the advices show there has been nothing in the way of general organization.

will be taken, not only to pre-the violation of the neutrality but also to save the raiders themselves from such consequences of their action as befell the unfortunate Fenian raiders of 1866.

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"Jack fells it," said Captain Sigabee, once, but it is expected will stop at St. Augustine or some other convenient. The remains are entirely in charge of Captain Sigabee until they are titined avoid a sudden climatic change.

BY DEPARTMENTS

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consolidation' presented to me on October 23, and by which I was invited to co-operate in a plan involving the issue of \$19,670,000 of bonds on the combined properties, to be used for the following purposes:

"You proposed to take \$13,343,000 of these ponds to reimburse your various."

two to six stalwart bluejackets handed each coffin, some of the caskets being smaller than others. They were brought to the side of the ship and lowered, two at a time, by a crane to the deck of the lighter.

It had been intended to bring the remains grane at 11 o'clock, but Captain Signabor and the lighter reached the Chesapeake and Ohlo passenger pier, Lieurant Commander Dillingham and Chaplain Chidwick supervised their transfer from the lighter to the cars.

AN EXAMPLE OF HEROISM.

AN Example of the experiment of the confine were arranged in two huge square piles and they wreaths. Between these two piles was a single coffin, draped in a flag. This coffin contained the remains of Prederick C. Holser, of New York. He was a single coffin, draped in a flag. This coffin contained the remains of Prederick C. Holser, of New York. He was a single coffin, draped in a flag. This coffin contained the remains of Prederick C. Holser, of New York. He was a single coffin, draped in a flag. This coffin contained the remains of Prederick C. Holser, of New York. He was a single coffin, draped in a flag. This coffin contained the remains of Prederick C. Holser, of New York. He was a family be a single coffin, draped in a flag. This coffin contained the remains of Prederick C. Holser, of New York. He was a single coffin, draped in a flag. This coffin contained the remains of Prederick C. Holser, of New York. He was coffin contained the remains of Prederick C. Holser, of New York. He was a single coffin, draped in a flag. This coffin contained the remains of Prederick C. Holser, of New York. He was coffin contained the remains of Prederick C. Holser, of New York. He was coffin contained the remains of Prederick C. Holser, of New York. He was coffin contained the remains of Prederick C. Holser, of New York. He was completed to the prederick C. Holser, of New York. He was completed to the chaplain Chidwick supervised the placing of the remains on the lighter. Captain Sigsbee personally supervised their transfer from the lighter to the cars.

"You proposed to give \$2,235,000 of these bonds in exchange for Georgia and Alabama stocks, on which I believe a dividend has naver been paid "With \$1,600,000 you proposed to purchise or retire certain shares of Seabeard stock and stocks in some other roads held by minority stockholders. "You proposed to use \$1,50,060 to retire Car Trust notes and \$1,000,000 to pay for the flouth Carol na extension, leaving \$141,000, which you describe as a "indiance for miscellaneo 23 "equirements."

"In short, you proposed to place on these roads an additional indebtedness of \$12,523,000, burdening them with an additional annual interest charge of nearly \$500,000, not one dollar of the proceeds of the sum of these bonds to be spent on the property, but the entire amount of \$1,523,000 to be used by you to reimburse your syndicates for moneys paid for stocks—which, with the exception of those of the Seaboard and Roanoke and the Bay Line, have not paid a dividend for years.

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"Having thus paid your syndicate dollar for dollar in bonds, you further proposed to issue to them a bonus in the stocks of the reorganized company of more than 23,000,000.

"This was your plan as you presented it to me on October 23, but subsequently I learned what you did not at the time disclose that your firm, John L. Williams & Son, and Mr. Middendorf's firm were to have as a commission \$2,-000,000 of the new stocks in addition. In putting the coffins aboard the lighter and in removing them to the cars, the sturdy bluejackets handled them as tenderly as though they contained the remains of their own relatives or friends.

"Jack Fells it," said Captain Sigabee, sententionaly.

"JACK PEELS IT."

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Ceneral Brooke's Arrival. (By Telegraph to Virginian-Pilot.) St. Augustine, Fla., Dec. 26 .- Major-General Brooke, with Captain L. T. Dean and Lieutenant C. W. Castle, of his staff, have arrived here from Ha-

wana.

Washington, Dec. 28.—General Brooke, who arrived at St. Augustine, Fla., to-day from Cuba, is not coming North at but it is expected will stop at St.